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PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE:	BOARD OF PHARMACY – Legislative Committee Meeting
DATE AND TIME:	Wednesday, February 15, 2017 9:30 am
PLACE:	Conference Room A., 2 nd Floor Cannon Building 861 Silver Lake Blvd., Dover, DE 19904
APPROVED:	March 15, 2017

MEMBERS PRESENT

Hooshang Shanehsaz, Chair
Susan Esposito, R.Ph.
Bonnie Wallner, R.Ph.
Kim Robbins, R.Ph.
Tejal Patel, PharmD
Jay Galloway
Gayle MacAfee
Tim DeRose

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT

Eileen Kelly, Deputy Attorney General
Christine Mast, Administrative Specialist III

MEMBERS ABSENT

ALSO PRESENT

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Shanehsaz called the meeting to order at 11:30 am.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Ms. Patel and seconded by Ms. MacAfee to approve the meeting minutes for January 18, 2017 with corrections. Ms. Wallner abstained. The motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Non Pharmacist Dispensing – Ms. Robbins expressed concern over non-support on this issue and the possible ramifications to public safety however, she respectfully suggested it be removed from the agenda. Continued discussion ensued regarding her concerns regarding in office dispensing and proper review of patient medications history. Pharmacists have the ability to review the Prescription Monitoring Program (PMP) to review and provide proper feedback to the practitioner as well as the patient regarding drug interactions and possible adverse effects of prescribed medications. Ms. Robbins provided one example of a patient of hers requiring a hospital stay after being dispensed medication that had a serious adverse reaction to blood pressure medication already prescribed. When dispensing of medications is occurring by unlicensed untrained individuals, the public is at risk for contraindications that could result in injury or even death. The committee has concerns for patient safety regarding the by passing of the professional role of the pharmacist to ensure the proper medication is dispensed and all is done to prevent medication interactions of previously dispensed or prescribed medication. The committee suggested a letter be drafted to the Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline outlining their concerns. The committee also suggested that a member of the Board attend the

BOMLD meetings to share the concerns of the Board of Pharmacy. Ms. MacAfee agreed to attend the BOMLD meetings in the future. She will also draft the requested letter above and bring to the next meeting for review.

Delaware Health Information Network (DHIN) Pharmacist Access – Mr. Shanehsaz spoke with Mr. Randy Farmer. Mr. Farmer stated he would like to come for a meeting in the future. This item will be added to the appropriate agenda when that meeting date and time is determined.

Freedom of Choice Proposed Regulation 3.10 – a motion to remove this from the agenda was made by Ms. Patel and seconded by Mr. Galloway. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Review of Regulation 5.2.4 (MedsOnQue) – the committee suggested adding the word “electronic” to the current language. A motion to approve was made by Ms. Robbins seconded by Ms. Wallner. The motion carried. Ms. Kelly will provide draft regulation changes for review.

Licensure Inspection Requirement – New Application/Renewal – Ms. Kelly stated that requirements for inspection must remain consistent between in-state pharmacies vs. out of state pharmacies. The committee has concerns regarding inspection infractions that are not reported. After discussion of current processes during renewal and the application process the committee determined that the current reporting requirements for disciplinary action fulfills statutory and regulatory requirements and no further action is needed at this time. A motion was made by Mr. Shanehsaz seconded by Ms. Wallner to remove this agenda item. The motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Esposito asked Mr. DeRose if he was able to provide the number of technicians employed through Walgreens in this state. He stated he would get those numbers for the committee for next meeting. She also contacted NABP as of February 9th there were 897 active PCTB certified pharmacy technicians in Delaware. The committee would like to revisit pharmacy technician registration or licensure due diversion and public safety concerns. Currently a technician who may have diverted drugs in our state or a border state may not be reported to law enforcement. They are typically terminated from that employment which allows them to be employed by another pharmacy and diversion can continue. The committee requested that Pharmacy Technician Licensure Review be added to the next committee meeting agenda and that Mr. David Mangler be invited to attend to participate in the discussion to provide insight from the division's perspective. The committee also wants to review and clarify the difference between a certified technician and non-certified technician. Ms. Kelly will provide information previously created for the committee to review.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

The next meeting will be held March 15, 2017 at 9:30 am. Conference Room A

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business before the committee. A motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Esposito, seconded by Ms. Patel. The motion unanimously carried at 12:53 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Christine Mast
Administrative Specialist III
Board of Pharmacy